


<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>					<b>Docket No.</b> <b>WAR1394.07A</b>	
Applicant(s): <b>GERALD J. WARE</b>						
Application No. 09/963,360	Filing Date 09/24/2001	Examiner YEUNG, G.C.P.	Customer No. 8156	Group Art Unit 1761	Confirmation No. 8250	
Invention: <b>DESICCATION APPARATUS AND METHOD</b>						
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2004 and the advisory opinion mailed October 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.